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1. An armament factory in Tanvald (051/G36) was developed by the Germans during World War II for the production of parts for V-1 and V-2 rockets. After the war it was rebuilt and taken over by the Military Technical Institute for research. When the plant was last observed in May 1950 only Soviet military officers were seen; there were no longer any Czech military officers stationed at the plant. A total of from 50 to 60 Soviet officers and between 1,500 and 2,000 Soviet and Czech workers, mainly demobilized Soviet soldiers, were employed at the plant in May 1950. Work is done in three shifts.
2. The factory produces 22-ton armored ammunition tractors, at a rate of one per week, contact anti-tank mines at a rate of about 500 per month, electric anti-tank mines at a rate of about 500 per month, anti-personnel mines, machine gun barrels at a rate of about 25 per day, parts for bazookas, mortar shells, small arms ammunition, and gas masks. It also assembles the light tanks, not including engines or armament, at a rate of about 25 pieces per week. It is believed that the Soviet Union is the main customer for the production of this plant and that deliveries are made by rail through Cierna nad Tisou.
3. The following is a key to the attached sketch of the Tanvald armament plant:
 - 1) Main guardroom
 - 1a) Administration building with quarters for Soviet officers on the second floor.
 - 2) Machine shop for the manufacture of parts of mines
 - 3) Testing room and shipping room for machine shop (figure 2)
 - 4) Machine shop: five-story building
 - 1st floor: assembly of gears and tracks for light tank
 - 2nd floor: assembly of ammunition tractors
 - 3rd floor: presses for manufacture of bazooka and grenade parts
 - 4th floor: manufacture of machine gun barrels
 - 5th floor: material testing laboratory, grinding room
 - 5) Mine manufacturing plant: five-story building
 - 1st floor: pressing of mine covers
 - 2nd floor: machining and testing of covers
 - 3rd floor: assembling and filling of mines

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4th floor: assembling and filling of mines
5th floor: packing and shipping room

6) Assembly hall: five-story building

1st floor: mounting of engines in ammunition tractors
2nd floor: manufacture of parts for ammunition tractors
3rd floor: manufacture of shells
4th floor: ?
5th floor: manufacture of gas masks

- 7) Manufacture of rubber impregnated cloth for gas masks
- 8) Manufacture of small arms ammunition
- 9) Testing room for machine gun barrels
- 10) Planning department
- 11) Unknown
- 12) Guardroom
- 13) Plant kitchen, dining room
- 14) Garages
- 15) Workers' militia quarters
- 16) Workers' quarters
- 17) Old factory, being dismantled
- 18) Plant manager's living quarters
- 19) Store
- 20) District court and prison
- 21) Post office
- 22) Secondary Tanvald railroad station
- 23) Koruna Hotel
- 24) Main Tanvald railroad station
- 25) Highway toward Sumburk
- 26) Railroad toward Sumburk
- 27) Road toward Smrzovka
- 28) Railroad toward Jablonec
- 29) Road toward Jablonec
- 30) Road toward Zasada
- 31) Railroad toward Zelezny Brod
- 32) Highway toward Zelezny Brod
- 33) Former German labor camp, now used to house Soviet employees

Attachments: I Sketch of Armament Plant in Tanvald
II Sketches of Light Tank and Shell
III Sketch of Ammunition Tractor
IV Sketches of Mines